

A Volcano in Granard

Jennifer and Nathan were arguing as usual. They were playing their favourite multiplayer car racing game on the Play-station. Even though they both enjoyed what they were doing, they couldn't get on together for long.

"Move over, why don't you," muttered Jennifer. "

Can't you see I've got spikes on my wheels?"

"I'll have you off the track!"

"I'll bomb you!"

"You don't know how to drive."

Both children were so busy shouting at each other that they had completely forgotten to control their screen cars. Suddenly, there was an explosion as both cars vanished in roaring screen flames. The message flashed up, "game over."

"That was your fault."

"No it was your fault"

"You can't see past your huge elephant ears," shouted Nathan, resorting to his favourite taunt.

"And you can't drive because you are as thick as a brick." Jennifer replied with the response that she knew would most upset her brother.

The argument ended in the usual way, with mam sending them both to their rooms and neither of them on the Play-station.

It wasn't that the twins didn't like each other. Deep down, they were the best of friends. It was just that they had spent most of their eleven years trying to score points off each other. At least, that is what it felt like to their parents. The problem was that the twins had so many shared stories that it was easy for each sibling to find a topic that would annoy the other.

Nathan should not have been sharing family stories with his school friends. That was where the trouble started. One morning, in the school yard, he was complaining to his best friend, Jack.

“My sister is a pain,” he told him. “You’d think she could listen with those elephant ears of hers.”

“Why do you call her ‘Elephant ears’,” Jack queried. “Her ears don’t stick out any more than yours do.”

Nathan unconsciously rubbed at his ears which, if he was honest, did stick out.

“It’s a long story,” he told his friend. “When we were little, about four, I think, we went to the zoo. Jen insisted on buying this headband with elephant ears. She wouldn’t ever take it off, not even in bed. That is how she got the nickname.”

Jennifer was horrified at break when Jack asked her if she had got her elephant ear headband with her. Soon lots of the class knew the story. She felt very embarrassed.

She wasted no time in telling all her friends why she called her brother ‘Brick’,

When he was small,” she explained, “he ran into a wall. He hurt his head and it made him cry. Mam tried to cheer him up by showing him the bump on the brick. She said that it was the brick that should be crying as his head was harder than the brick. That’s how he got the nickname.”

Soon everyone was calling him ‘Thick-as-a-brick’ and Nathan went home very upset.

The twins had one thing in common. They both loved books and visited the library in Granard every week, sometimes more often. However, even in their choice of books, the twins were chalk and cheese.

Nathan could always be found in the non-fiction section of the library. He loved stories with interesting characters who had unusual experiences. He loved to lose himself in a story whether it

was an action adventure store or a mystery. Best of all, he like funny stories and today he had pick out one of his favourites, 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid;'.

Jennifer preferred non-fiction. She loved to collect information although her favourite topics were science and nature. She would spend time pouring over books about other countries where there were extreme and dramatic landscapes. She liked to read about deserts with their great wind washed dunes and wildly carved rock formations or maybe places that had been formed by ancient volcanoes, mysterious and dangerous. There was nothing like that in Granard. Compared to the places she loved to read about, Granard seemed so safe and, well, boring.

They stopped at the desk to check out their new books. Jennifer sniffed when she saw what her brother had chosen.

"Diary of a Wimpy Kid," she scoffed. "You've read that before and the film was boring. Why are you wasting time on that?"

Nathan felt angry and insulted.

"Why shouldn't I read it again?" he asked. "I like it and it's better that what you have got; just deserts, volcanoes, and stuff. That's all you ever choose. You can't read well enough for proper stories".

"But it's a silly book," retorted Jennifer. "It couldn't possibly happen."

"Well yours is boring".

"At least I'm learning something."

Soon both children were shouting at each other about which was better, fiction or non-fiction. When they tried to hit each other with their library books,



Rosemary, the librarian had to intervene.

“Both fiction and non-fiction are equally important,” she told them. “Why don’t you swap books when you have finished with them and see?”

The children nodded but they left the library still giving each other furious looks.

Mam and Dad were angry with them both when they heard.

“It is bad enough when you tease each other at home,” said mam “but telling private family stories like that at school just isn’t fair”.

“And fighting like that in the library,” scolded Dad. “That is just bad manners. This bickering must stop.”

But Nathan wasn’t ready to stop. He wanted to get his own back on Jen. Then he had a brilliant idea. She didn’t like fiction? He would make her believe a story that wasn’t true.

He went to talk to his best friend Jack. He would need his help to make this trick work. Jack was a bit of a computer wizard. He knew how to use Photoshop and everything. But there was another way that Jack could help as well.

“Jack, you know your pieces of lava. Can I borrow them?”

“Why?” Jack was a bit suspicious. He was proud of his bits of rock that had come from a real volcano. He had bought them from a museum while he was on holiday and he didn’t want to lose them.

“What do you want them for?”

Jack explained that he wanted to play a good trick on his sister.

“You know she’s always reading about things like ice-burges and deserts and volcanoes. I want to make her believe that there is a dormant volcano here in Granard.

“But there isn’t a dormant volcano in Granard. There couldn’t be.”

“I know that, but we can make it look as if there used to be one and that it might come back to life.”

“And how are we supposed to do that?”

Nathan explained his plan. He asked Jack to help him to create fake 'evidence' for the volcano. Jack soon got the idea and set to work. Before long, he had altered old picture of the motte near the church to look as if it had once been topped by a crater. Then he made up some pretend information that looked as if it had been downloaded from the internet. He included some fake cuttings from the newspaper about the old volcano and then created a short piece by a made up scientist on how the volcano was likely to become active again. But the best bit was a downloaded old map of Granard . He had been able to add the words 'site of volcano' to the map, just over the motte in antique letters. It looked very authentic.

They printed off all the pages. Nathan placed them in a folder and labelled it PRIVATE in big red letters. He was certain that if he left this folder by the computer, without saying anything, Jennifer would read it. She just wouldn't be able to help herself.

Nathan put the folder in clear view, beside the monitor. Now all he had to do was to wait. Would his plan to trick his twin work?

He could tell when Jen had read the folder. He didn't have to see her open it. For a start, she went very quiet. Then she sat down and skimmed through some of her books. Nathan was amused to see that she was trying to find out more about volcanoes. Nathan hoped that what he had left in the folder would be enough to make Jen scared. He was just worried that she might wait to tell her friends until she had asked her teacher, or even Rosemary at the library, about the possibility of a dormant volcano in Granard. He knew that either of them would reassure Jennifer that it was impossible and the joke would be ruined.

And what might mam say if Jen asked her? He needed to act fast!

When they sat down to supper that evening Nathan tried to make himself look sad and anxious. When mam started to give him concerned looks he blurted out.

“Why do we have to live in Granard? Why can’t we move to Cork?”

“What is wrong with Granard?” asked his mam looking surprised.

“It’s just that I don’t think it’s safe,” replied Nathan.

“Are you being worrying about school, Nathan?” questioned mam.

“Not just school,” mumbled Nathan and refused to say any more.



Mam went on shaking her head and looking upset all through supper. Jen couldn’t tell whether she thought Nat might be getting bullied at school or that she knew about something even more scary, a volcano in Granard that was about to

erupt.

So Nathan’s trick worked. At break he watched his sister talking excitedly to her friends. She’d even sneaked out his private file to show them. He could hear some of what they were saying.

“I didn’t think volcanoes could happen in Ireland.”

“But it’s true. Just look at the evidence. I found proof too. I went to the motte before school this morning. I even found pieces of lava rock.”

“It can’t be true. The motte was built by the Normans.”

“They must have built it on a dormant volcano.”

“When is it going to erupt?”

“I don’t know. This article says it could happen any time.”

“My dog will die.”

“What do you mean your dog will die? We will all die, just like in Pompeii!”

Their class teacher just couldn't work out why so many of the children were so nervous all morning. They couldn't concentrate on their work and they kept whispering to each other. Finally the teacher stopped the lesson and asked the class what was going on.

“It's the active volcano under the motto,” replied one of Jen's friends. “You know, the one that is going to erupt any day now and destroy Granard.”

The teacher could not believe what she was hearing. The maths lesson was forgotten while she tried to sort it all out.

By lunch time all the children were quite happy to accept that the volcano did not exist and when the teacher examined Jen's 'evidence', it was very clear that she had been the victim of a practical joke. Besides, there was Nathan, sitting across the class, grinning his head off!

By the time school ended, everyone had decided that they had never believed the story about the volcano in the first place. It had only ever been Jen who thought it was true. Jennifer got laughed at and teased quite a lot. She felt so embarrassed,

The next day she tried to persuade mam that she was sick and couldn't go to school. She was sure everyone would still be laughing at her. She was also very angry with Nathan.

“You said that made up stories were silly,” he told her. “I got you to believe my made up story easily enough.”

He grinned again and that didn't make her feel any better.

Jennifer was determined that she was going to find a way to play an even better trick on Nathan. But what could she do? She couldn't think of anything good enough. She wanted the class to

laugh at him for being silly just as they had laughed at her for believing in the story of the volcano.

Suddenly she had a brilliant idea. Nathan liked stupid made up stories that she thought were babyish. What if she could get him to believe that a fairy tale or something like that was true; something like Aladin or Jack and the beanstalk...

“Jack and the Beanstalk?” she thought to herself. “Why not?”

An idea began to form in her mind.

She had a magic bean. Well, it wasn't a magic bean but it was a strange seed. It was like a flat shiny conker about the size of a marmite lid. She had found it in a bowl of bits and pieces in the charity shop in Longford. No-one there had been able to tell her what it was so she had bought it for fifty cents. It had been in her drawer ever since and Nathan had never seen it.

The next stage of her plan sent her to see her brother's best friend Jack. She needed his help this time.

“That trick you helped Nathan play on me wasn't fair. I want you to put it right by helping me play a trick on Nathan. I can't do it without you.”

Jack took this as a compliment.

“Alright,” he told her. “I will help you if you give me back the pieces of lava you found. Nathan borrowed them from me.”

Jen agreed and explained her plan.

Later, Jack asked his grown up brother, Anthony, for help.

“Could you advertise something for sale on e-bay for me?” he asked. “It will be easy sure that the right person gets it.”

When Anthony heard the whole plan he agreed to help. He thought it would be a great joke on Nathan.

Nathan was over at Jack's house a few days after this. They had been playing a game on Jack's X-box and had stopped to get a snack.

“You like stories, don’t you,” said Jack.

Nathan nodded.

“I saw something really unusual advertised on e-bay. You might like it.”

Jack saw that Nathan was interested and found the page on the net. There it was, Nathan couldn’t believe his eyes. The advert showed a strange looking bean shaped seed on a packet with a beanstalk on it. Next to the bean thing was an ancient looking scroll all rolled up. Nathan didn’t know what to make of this and read the information below.

“This is your only chance to own a piece of story history. This bean, long lost, may well be the identical type of bean that gave rise to the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. This is a unique item. It comes with an antique scroll giving the history of this strange seed.”



Nathan was intrigued. He wasn’t sure if it was true but it was possible. That scroll looked very old and so did the bean. What if he could plant it? What if it grew? He had to have

the bean. But he had never used e-bay and wasn’t sure how it worked.

“I could ask Anthony to buy it for you,” suggested Jack. “He wouldn’t mind and I don’t think it is going to cost more than a few euros.”

Next day Jack told Jen the good news.

“He fell for it,” he laughed.

So Nathan had bought the bean on e-bay. Her trick was working.

How will this story end? Here are lots of possible endings.

Aaron Brady

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. He opened the packet and inside was the seed that he thought was the real seed from “Jack and the Beanstalk”.

The next day he brought in the seed to his class. He said to his class that this seed was the seed from the story “Jack and the beanstalk”. Everyone started laughing at him. No one believed him.

When he went home he tried to tell his Mum about this seed that he bought on EBay and it was from “Jack and the Beanstalk”. He opened his eyes. His Mum said, “that is nonsense.” He went up to his room and threw the seed out of his window.

The next day he went outside and he shouted, “MUM.” Mum came outside in amazement to see a money tree. When his sister saw the tree she was shocked. Her plan was ruined. Then she said it was a prank and the tree was hers. Then he said it was his because he planted it.

Then they started fighting. Mum said stop this fighting. As you can see nothing has changed.

Aaron Brady

Chantelle Sullivan

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan.

He opened the packet. The seed looked like a flat conker. He went to the library and asked the librarian if there were any books about plants.

“Isn’t it your sister who reads about plants?” she asked. “Yes,” Nathan said “Just get me the book please.” So Nathan was nearly all day in the library. Then Jack met Nathan in the library and he told Nathan the truth because he just got his pieces of volcano rocks back from Jennifer.

Nathan went home and said to Jennifer “Do you just want to play the play station with me and no more tricks because I think we are equal now.” Jennifer replied “Ok now there is no more name calling or tricks!”

Chantelle Sullivan

A Bit About the Author:

Chantelle Sullivan



Hello my name is Chantelle.

I live in Granard.

I am 11 Years old.

I go to sacred heart PS.

I have 3 sisters and 1 brother.

I have a dog named Alfie, he is 3 years old.

Daniel Early

A few days later, a packet arrived for Nathan. Nathan quickly opened the packet with a grin on his face. WOW!

He could not believe the seed was so big. He dashed into the kitchen to show his Mam and Dad.

“What are you going to do with it,” they asked.

“I am going to plant it and see what it grows into,” he replied.

He was so excited to see where he was going to plant it. He decided on a patch behind the garage. He dug a hole, planted the seed and watered it. From that day on he checked it and watered it.

After a few days nothing was happening. He told his sister Jennifer all about the seed, but to his amazement she just laughed and laughed. He asked her could he look up in her seed and plant book to research about the seed. Jennifer couldn't believe Nathan was looking for her science book. Her plan worked. She had Nathan reading her Science and Geography books. From that day on Jennifer and Nathan watched the seed grow together.

Daniel Early

A Bit About the Author:

Daniel Early

My name is Daniel.

I have a small family of six.

I have two sisters and one brother.

I live in Co Cavan in Killydoon.

It is a beautiful place.



David Goldyn

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. When he opened the packet he found a strange seed. It looked like an over flattened conker. It was very strange. Nathan took the seed out of the packet but he knew it wasn't a giant bean seed. He was clever.

Next day he sent it back to Ebay and he told his sister "YOU WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO TRICK ME. I AM TOO CLEVER."

Soon his sister was planning another plan to trick her brother. Today she knew how to trick him she had a good plan. She put all his white clothes with pink clothes. She knew her brother liked wearing white clothes.

He was very angry all his white clothes were pink.
HE was MAD.

David Goldyn A Bit About the Author:

David Goldyn

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Dylan Smyth

A few days later a parcel arrived for Nathan. He was so excited he opened the parcel. Inside was a round flat conker. He took it out. Then he called in Jenny to show her it.

Soon it was time for dinner. It was chips and pizza. Nathan dropped the seed on the floor and it broke in to pieces. Their dog ate some; he grew and grew and grew. Then Nathan ate some, he started to grow. Then they went outside but they started to shrink it was weird. Afterwards their mother swept it up and dumped it in the bin.

Nathan was happy that it was gone. So Nathan and Jenny went to Game Stop and got a new game

Dylan Smyth

A Bit About the Author:

Dylan Smyth

My name is Dylan.

Im 11. I live in Granard.

I like football. I have a brother Darragh.

I am in 5th class in sacred heart PS.

I have a dog called Ody.



James Grier Bogue

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. Nathan and his friend Jack opened the packet. Then he planted it in the garden and watered the seed.

Nathan told his friends that he had brought a magic bean. He told them that it was from “Jack and the beanstalk”.

Four days passed and the seed had not grown. He dug it up and put it on Ebay. He told them that it was a rare coffee bean because it had come from Ireland. He sold it for €1000 on Ebay.

Now Nathan and his sister were even. They had both pulled a prank on each other.

A Bit About the Author:

James Grier Bogue



My name is James Grier.

I live in Granard.

I have one brother called Johnathon and a dog called blacky.

But I have a pony called princess.

James Kelly

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan he was feeling very excited and he tore open the paper and there was a seed in there. The next day he was going to plant it but he couldn't find the shovel.

On Saturday he got a shovel and he planted the seed the next day he looked out and it was growing.

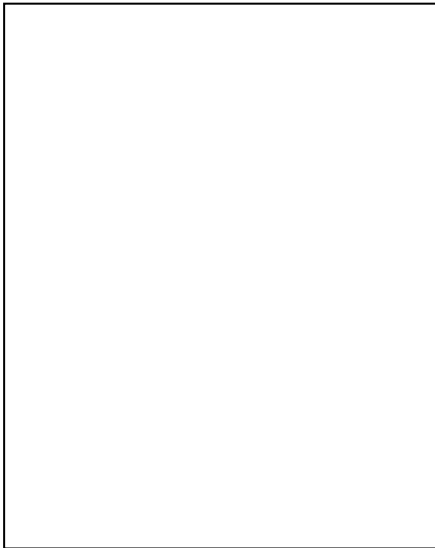
On Monday he went to school and told his friends that he had really grown a beanstalk. Jennifer felt really jealous of him. It couldn't be real could it? She had just got in a charity shop.

After a week it was as tall as a tree and it had huge heart shaped leaves. Soon everybody heard about it. Television cameras came to Nathan's house and took pictures Nathan became famous they called him the Beanstalk Boy. It was not a magic beanstalk but it was the tallest plant in the world. Jennifer was jealous that her trick had gone wrong but Nathan was too famous to argue with her any more.

James Kelly

A Bit About the Author:

James Kelly



**My Name Is James.
I Live In Granard.
My Home Is In Colmcille Tce.
I am In 5th Class.
I Like To Play Football and I Don't Like School.**

Kasia Mickiewicz

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. He was so excited. He couldn't wait to open the packet. He opened it and he took it out and looked at it. He said to himself, "it looks like a flat conker but what does it do? Will it grow a money tree or something unusual? A few minutes later he went outside with it, he planted it and waited.

He waited 3 months and he saw that it started to grow but it was only 20cm high so he waited 4 more months.

He saw that it was a beanstalk. He showed to Jennifer. His sister was so shocked "What have I done?" she exclaimed. After 5 months the beanstalk was HUGE! Nathan sold it to a farmer. Nathan shared the money with his sister. They were not arguing again.

But one day Nathan spent all the money and they had none. Nathan had to work as a painter in his neighbour's house. His sister hated him all the rest of her life.

A Bit About the Author:

Kasia Mickiewicz



**My name is Kasia. I am 11.
I live in Granard.
My hobby is playing on my ipod.
Most of the time I spend outside.
I ride on my bike a lot.
My favourite colour is yellow.**

Kinga Pareka

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. He took off the brown paper and there was the seed. It looked a lot like a flat shiny conker. It looked magic. Could he grow a beanstalk from this? Would it grow really fast? Would he get a lot of gold? Would he get rich? He was very excited.

He went to the library to get a book about planting the seeds. Rosemary was surprised because he wanted an information book, but she found him a book about seeds.

Nathan planted the seed in the garden and he waited. While he was waiting he told all his friends. He wanted them to know what he did. He told them that he would be rich when the beanstalk grew. The children laughed at him because they knew it couldn't be real.

After a few weeks, a red flower grew but, it wasn't a beanstalk. Nathan felt silly. Jennifer never told him that she had played a trick on him Nathan never felt like playing tricks on his sister ever again.

Kinga Pareka A Bit About the Author:

Kinga Pareka



My name is Kinga Pareka.
My best friends name is Sara.
I am 12 years old. Im in 5th class.
I have one brother.
I live in Granard because I moved from Poland.
My hobbies are singing and dancing.

Natalia Niespodzianka

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. Nathan didn't know what it was. He opened the packet. He took out the seed and a little card said: *The real seed from Jack and the beanstalk, it will grow into a real beanstalk.* Nathan was really excited.

The following day in school Nathan showed the seed to all his friends. They didn't believe him. Everyone was laughing at him.

When he came back home he searched the internet for the beanstalk seed. He didn't find anything. He decided to go to the library. He asked Rosemary for books about seeds and trees. Rosemary was surprised!

"You are looking for a nature book? I thought Jennifer liked nature books not you", said Rosemary.

"I got this beanstalk seed it's the one from Jack and the beanstalk", replied Nathan.

Rosemary gave him some nature books. He read them all, but he didn't find anything. He decided to plant the seed. It said on the

packet that it will grow in 2 days. After 2 days he checked the seed, but it didn't grow.

The following day Jennifer and Jack told him that it was a trick. But Nathan wasn't cross.

"We're 50-50 now, said Nathan.

From then on Jennifer and Nathan never argued or played tricks on each other because they knew what the consequences were!!

Natalia Niespodzianka A Bit About the Author:

Natalia Niespodzianka



My name is Natalia.

I am 11 years old. Im in 5th class.

I live in Granard.

I have a sister called Wiktorja.

I go to sacred heart primary school.

Patrycia Golik

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. Nathan opened the packet very quickly. Inside he found the magic seed. He decided to show everyone the magic seed at school. He told them it was the original seed from the story “Jack and the Beanstalk”. They didn’t believe him. Everyone was laughing at him. He felt very bad.

The next day, he told his mum that he wasn’t feeling well, because he didn’t want to go to school. He didn’t want all his friends laughing at him. Two days later, he came to school with his magic seed. When he sat in his chair his magic seed started to glow, everyone was looking at him in amazement. Everybody wanted to be friends with him because they realised that he had a magic bean after all.

Patrycia Golik A Bit

About the Author:

Patrycia Golik

My name is Patrycia, I am 12.

I live in Granard.

I have one sister, I have a pet snake.

I am in 5th class in the sacred heart PS.

I have blonde hair and green eyes.



Rachel Cassidy

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. He wondered for a while.

“Will it grow if I plant it, or should I sell it?”

Then he had an idea, he would plant it and people would pay to see it.

But a few days later when it grew his plan backfired! What he thought would be a beanstalk, the flat little conker grew as small as a mini tree! He thought it would make him rich but the size of it was ridiculous. Nathan didn't see her but Jen was giggling behind the shrubs! She phoned Jack.

“It worked Nathan is devastated” gloated Jen!

However Nathan had a plan, he sneaked into Jen's room and (borrowed) her book about trees. He found a picture of the tree he had grown. He couldn't believe his eyes! There out in his garden was a rare tree called cumabellybunga only found in very few places in Africa!

Soon after Jen realised that Nathan was up to something. He was taking money off people to see that stupid, little, booty tree! But Jen confessed

“I put the ad for the bean on ebay, with help from our friend Jack and Anthony”

“I'm sorry for playing the nasty tricks on you” said Nathan “Me too” replied Jennifer.

Nathan shared the earnings with Jen because if it wasn't for her he would have never had as much money without her. With her part of the money Jen bought a game they could play together, she also

bought some fiction books. Nathan bought another game and some non-fiction books.

It turns out Nathan loved non-fiction books and Jen loved fiction books too! From then on out they never fought again. (Only joking if it wasn't for them fighting in the first place we wouldn't have a story.)

A Bit About the Author:

Rachel Cassidy



**My name is Rachel. I live in granard.
I have brunette hair, green and brown eyes.
I am very sporty, but I also like school.
I am an only child.
I have 1 dog and 1 hamster, their names are Skip and Nibbles.**

Reece Small

A few days later a package arrived for Nathan. Jennifer's friend Emma called over to their house.

She said" Our plan is going to work. "

They were going to play a trick on the boys. The boys tried to figure out how to get into Jen's room. They had to find a way into the room then the boys said that they would talk in school tomorrow.

In school the next day Jack told Nathan that he overheard Emma asking Jen to go to her house and she said yes.

Later that day Jennifer was searching in Nathan's bag. Then Nathan came down the stairs and asked her "What are you looking for" she replied" I'm looking for a book but you don't have it." Jack told Nathan what they were doing. So Nathan said that he hated fighting with his sister and he said sorry. And they never fought again

A Bit About the Author:

Reece Small



**My name is Reece. I am 11.
I have two sisters and two brothers.
I am in 5th class in sacred heart PS.
I love playing soccer.**

Simon Brady Lee

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. He had forgotten about the seed he bought on E-bay. He wondered what it was and he opened it. It was a conker. He tried planting it but it didn't work. Then he put it into his pocket.

It grew so tall it touched the clouds. Nathan woke up he opened his eyes and he was dangling from a giant leaf stuck in his pocket. "Ahhhhhhh!" he yelled. Then he fell off and his sister caught him. She threw him on the mud. "Ha ha it was a prank" said Jennifer "You're as good as making tricks as I am. We're a great team."
Sean Maguire

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. "Finally, It's here" Nathan muttered to himself.

"What's here?" asked Jennifer who had been hiding behind the door. "Nothing" replied Nathan

"Just a magic seed which will grow into a beanstalk."

"Let me see," said Jennifer. "It's just a flat conker. How could it be magic?" she added, trying to act mad. Nathan smiled then started to laugh

"You're just jealous and I'm going to plant it right in front of your bedroom window."

Jennifer tried to act as upset as she could and ran up to her room. She locked the door.

After a while Nathan picked up his "Diary of a wimpy kid" book and headed out the door. Jennifer was sure to follow him.

"Where are you going" Jennifer asked Nathan.

“The library to get a book about seeds” he replied. Jennifer was delighted her trick was working. Soon Nathan had read the book. It had nothing on his seed. So he planted the seed in a hole and hoped for the best.

The next morning Nathan checked the spot where he had planted the seed. It didn’t grow at all.

Jennifer started to laugh.

“What are you laughing at elephant ears?” shouted Nathan.

“You fell for it,” sniggered Jennifer.

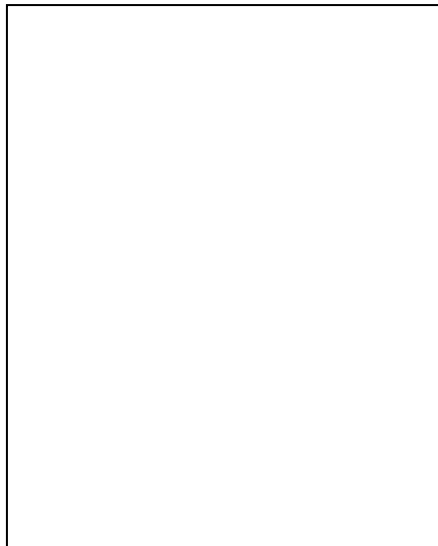
“This was a trick and you made it up all yourself?” he exclaimed.

“Yup” replied Jennifer “maybe we could trick people together” said Nathan

“Why not?” replied Jennifer.

Simon Brady Lee A Bit About the Author:

Simon Brady Lee



My Name Is Simon Brady Lee.

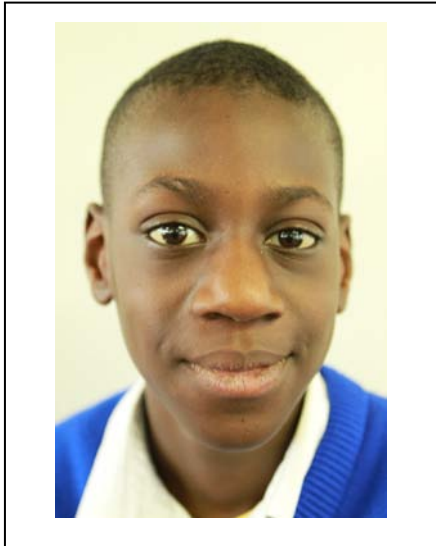
I Live In Bunlahy.

I have One Cat And One Dog.

**I Live With My Mam And Dad And My Big Brother
Conor.**

A Bit About the Author:

Tami Odeyemi



My name is Tami.

I am 11 years old.

I have 2 brothers and 3 sisters, They are 16, 21, 31, 11.

I have a twin brother his name is Tobi.

Tami Odeyemi

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. When he opened the packet he saw the seed that he bought on Ebay. He told his friend's that it was magic but they laughed at him. They thought he was silly.

Nathan went home. He was really sad .Then he tried to plant the seed but it did not work so he sold it to Jack for 50c. Jennifer's plan went wrong so she told Nathan that he is was thick as a brick.

Soon it turned into a big fight again, so their Dad got them to make up and they stopped fighting.

Tami Odeyemi

Tobi Odeyemi

A few days later a packet arrived for Nathan. It was a seed. What will I do with the seed? thought Nathan. Now Nathan had bought the seed on EBAY, Jennifer's plan had come to perfection! He tried to plant the seed but it did not grow.

He left it for 12 days. But it still did not grow. He went crazy! He sent it back to EBAY, but he didn't get any money back. Jennifer felt so happy because she tricked her brother

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**My name is tobi.
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